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## Dear Sirs.

When is this tragedy going to end? When Microsofts competition learn its easier to innovate and not litigate. Its amazing how the same states and senators as there competition are the ones who dont want to settle. This case has never been about the publics best interest but that of other companies such as sun micro, orcle, aol, csco, and the list goes on. The public was never really harmed by Microsoft and alot of other software companies and tech firms who associated anything with windows became great successes. I dont think we need ten different operating systems or ten different internet exploreres. Linux is free and I would never use it. This company's litigation has single handedly destroyed the whole tech sector. Thanks for 3 years of zero growth and a devastated Nasdaq.I'm sure all these Government Officials should be proud of what they accomplished in the name of competition and innovation. Maybe they should look at how much money Microsoft spends on research and developement. When Phillip Morris diversified noone worried about there other bussinesses, but sun micro started all this litigation in this country and abroad when Microsoft when into the server market. What kind of company trys to hurt another American company abroad. Especially when our technology is one of our greatest assets. At this rate we will fall behind the rest of the world in technology innovation and then it will devastate our economy for years to come.

Please stop the madness.. Stveven Woolverton Staten Island, Nerw York